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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Chicago Police Department Commander of the 8th District, John Kupczyk, who passed away on January 21, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, He began his law enforcement career by serving on the Oakbrook Police Department until 1983; he joined the Chicago Police Department in 1983 and quickly ascended the ranks of Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, and was appointed Commander of the 8th District; and

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WHEREAS, He was an active member of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #7 and the Polish American Police Association (P.A.P.A.), which honored him as Man of the Year in 2010; and

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WHEREAS, He was an active supporter of Gold Star Families, the St. Jude Police League, and numerous community, religious, and civic organizations; he was a founding member of The "Kohiba" Sports and Fisherman's Club; and

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WHEREAS, Commander John Kupczyk was the loving husband of 28 years to Elizabeth, nee Podkowski; the loving father of Kristin (fiancee, Maxwell Sexton) and Katie; the cherished brother of Nancy McCue and Detective David C.P.D.; the dearest

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1 brother-in-law of Richard (Patty) Podkowski and Alicia (John)
2 Solomon; the devoted uncle of Christine (Michael) Vertucci,
3 Brian (Jodi), and Matthew (Kim) McCue, Richard Jr., and Anna
4 Podkowski; the beloved son of the late Frances and Edward
5 Kupczyk; the loving son-in-law of Mary and the late John
6 Podkowski; and he was respected and honored by many cousins,
7 friends, and colleagues; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
10 his family, friends, and colleagues, the passing of Commander
11 John Kupczyk; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Commander John Kupczyk as a symbol
14 of our sincere sympathy.